



Friends Of The BRANCH RIVER WATERSHED

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Hello from Friends of the Branch River Watershed group! We had a fun time hosting Fox Valley Herp Club at Manitowoc Public Library April 23rd! We had an amazing turn-out with over 40 families attending the show! Thank you to everyone who came out and supported our Spring family event; the reactions of the kids and adults were priceless! We would not be able to host great events like this without help from our sponsors and high school volunteers! Also a big thank you to Lakeshore Dental, West Foundation, WI DNR, LNRP, HTR, Lakeshore Chronicle, Reedsville Newsletter, Valdres Journal, Bob Schuh, and Manitowoc Public Library for your sponsorship support!

Thank you to Thrivent Action Team and the West Foundation for sponsoring our April 29 brat fry at Rob's Market! We had a great turnout—thanks for your support everyone!

May 20th we will have Branch River bridge crossing clean up day! Support our local efforts in cleaning up around bridge crossings in Manitowoc and Brown Counties—we will meet at Taus Town Hall 9:30 AM. Rain Date is May 21st ... meet time @ 1 pm Taus Town Hall. We will have gloves and other supplies available. Contact Al (see left column for information) with questions. Town Hall—North off Hwy 10 on J. Intersection of Taus Rd—brick building on left.

June 10 Family Day at Dodge Preserve from 10 – 2 pm. Have lunch over the campfire with retired teacher and Campfire Chef Dan Fager! He will be returning for a second time to entertain us with great cooking ideas at Noon. We will have s'mores for dessert too. Other activities will include playing in the river looking for river creatures, hike the trails, and more! We will have tent and chairs set up as well as portable toilets. We will have transportation available for access from road down to the Cabin. Directions: Take Highway T North off Highway 10(just East after Whitelaw), turn Left onto San Road (first road), then take next Right onto Preston Road. Travel on this until you near a curve and Friends of the Branch River signage as well as Dodge Preserve sign on Right.

Check us out on Facebook! To become a FOBR Member, please send \$20-\$99/Friend, \$100+ River Protector, \$500 River Champion, or \$1000+ for River Legacy to "FOBR" P.O. Box 301 Whitelaw, WI 54247. Please include mailing address, email, phone number for future mailings, contact information. We are a 501(c)3 group; please ask for tax deduction information on your membership form. All events are FREE and OPEN TO THE PUBLIC unless otherwise noted.

Feel free to share this information with any families or individuals interested in our events or joining a fascinating conservation group! Contact Emily Endter, Secretary with questions at emilyendter@yahoo.com or (920)323-3486. If you have older children (10 years and up) who love the outdoors, join FOBR and we will get them started in our Youth Leadership Program to earn scholarships to Conservation Camps and attendance at Maritime Museum's Watershed Ambassador Summer Camp (Children need to be 12 years old to attend).



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A crowd of parents and children get an introduction from Al Klingeisen, President of Friends of the Branch River Watershed Group before Fox Valley Herp Club starts their presentation.



A snake decides to get a better look at it's surroundings on top of an attendee's head!



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